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Applicant respectfully disagrees with the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance and/or Applicant believes that the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance is incomplete.

Applicant respectfully submits that the cited art does not teach or suggest the combinations of features set forth in the Applicant's claims. By way of nonlimiting example, Applicant submits the submitted references at least do not appear to teach or suggest a rupture element provided with a retention part including first zones and second zones that have a reduced thickness in comparison with the rest of the retention part.

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